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RESPONSES TO COMMENTS ON TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM ORDER FOR JOINT OUTFALL SYSTEM – SAN JOSE CREEK WATER RECLAMATION PLANT (NPDES NO. CA0053911, CI NO. 5542)

Dear Ms. James and Mr. Tremblay:

Thank you for your comments to the above-referenced tentative Order. Enclosed please find our responses to your comments.

Regional Board staff made minor changes and clarifications to the previous tentative Order dated April 2, 2009. On May 5, 2009, the revised tentative Order were sent via email and hard copy only to the commentors, which included the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County and Heal the Bay. On May 6, 2009, other interested parties received the revised tentative Order via email. These documents are available on the Regional Board's website for review. The Regional Board's web address is www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/board_decisions/tentative_orders/.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Board at a public hearing to be held on June 4, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the City of El Segundo City Hall, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California, will consider the enclosed tentative requirements and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to this discharge and the revised tentative Order. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

While we welcome written comments regarding the revised tentative Order, we ask that you refrain from submitting duplicate comments which have previously been submitted on

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the tentative permit dated April 2, 2009. Written comments regarding the revised tentative Order must be received at the Regional Water Board office by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on May 15, 2009, in order to be evaluated by Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will be provided, ex agenda, to the Board for their consideration. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that State Water Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. Comments received after the requested date may result in delay in consideration of the tentative Order.

If you have any questions please call me at (213) 576-6756, or Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

cc: See attached mailing list

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